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Application No. 09/005,193

Group: 2171

Filed: December 4, 2001

Examiner: Not yet assigned

For: System and Method for Efficiently Finding Near-Similar Images in Massive Databases

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING	
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REPLY TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Box Missing Parts
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Sir:

In reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated December 28, 2001, the following documents and fees are being submitted for filing in the captioned application. A copy of the Notice is attached.

☒ **EXECUTED DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

(Separate transmittal letter and postcard not required)

☐ **POWER OF ATTORNEY DOCUMENT**

☐ **GRANTED BY INVENTOR(S)**

☐ **GRANTED BY ASSIGNEE, including Statement under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b)**

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☐ **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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☒ **FILING FEE - with Fee Transmittal for Patent Applications in duplicate**

Fee calculations based on:

☒ Claims as originally filed

☐ Claims upon entry of the Preliminary Amendment filed [herewith] [with the application]

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☒ **SURCHARGE - surcharge fee of \$130.00**

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☐ **SEQUENCE LISTING** - Filed concurrently and is attached

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☐ **SUBSTITUTE DRAWINGS**

☐ Sheets of substitute drawings consisting of Figs. 1 - ☐ are enclosed

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☐ **PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

☐ Applicant hereby petitions to extend the time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated ☐ for ☐ month(s) from ☐ to ☐
The appropriate fee of \$☐ is included in the enclosed check

☐ A ☐ month extension of time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated ☐ was filed on ☐ with payment of a \$☐ fee

☐ Applicant hereby petitions for an additional ☐ month extension of time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts. The appropriate fee of \$☐ is included in the enclosed check

(Separate Petition for Extension of Time and postcard not required)

☐ **REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT** - Filed concurrently and is attached

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☐ **STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS**

☐ Was filed on ☐

☐ Is enclosed herewith

(Separate transmittal letter and postcard not required)

☐ In view of the small entity status of the captioned application, we hereby request a reimbursement of 50% of the filing fees in the amount of \$☐ which were paid on ☐ to be deposited in Deposit Account No. 08-0380

The fees required for filing the indicated documents are enclosed in the form of a check in the total amount of \$1,476.00. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees that may be due in this matter to Deposit Account No. 08-0380. A copy of this letter is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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FEE TRANSMITTAL FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS

Attorney Docket Number	0918.2050-000 (P00-3506)
Application Number	10/005,193
First Named Inventor	Trista P. Chen

CLAIMS CALCULATION (includes any preliminary amendment)

CLAIMS	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
	TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c) or (j))	35 - 20* =	15	x \$ 18 =	\$ 270
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b) or (i))	7 - 3** =	4	x \$ 84 =	\$ 336
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+ \$ 280 =	\$
				BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a) or (h))	\$ 740
				Total of above Calculations =	\$ 1346
				Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28) =	\$
				TOTAL =	\$ 1346
				Surcharge - Late Filing of Declaration or Filing Fees (37 C.F.R. 1.16(e)) =	\$ 130
				Petition for Extension of Time Fee (37 C.F.R. 1.17) =	\$
				Assignment Recordation Fee = (only when filed with application)	\$
	* Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent ** Reissue independent claims over original patent			TOTAL =	\$ 1476

1. Small entity status:

- a. ☐ A small entity statement is enclosed.
- b. ☐ A small entity statement was filed in the prior non-provisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- c. ☐ Is no longer claimed.

2. ☒ A general authorization is hereby granted to charge deposit account number 08-0380 for any fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 in order to maintain pendency of this application. A copy of this authorization is enclosed for accounting purposes.

3. ☒ A check is enclosed for \$1,476.00. ☐ Please charge \$[] to Deposit Account No. 08-0380.

4. ☐ Other: _____

Signature		Date	2/26/02
Submitted by Typed or Printed Name	Christopher J. Lutz	Reg. Number	44,883



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FORMALITIES LETTER



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

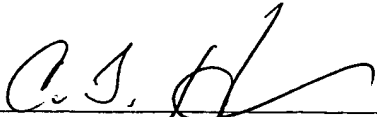
FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$606.
 - \$270 for 15 total claims over 20.
 - \$336 for 4 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1476.**

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.


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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

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